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RESPONSE

**GROUP 3600** 

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 9, 2002, please reconsider the application based on the following.

## **REMARKS**

## I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

Claims 1 to 10 are pending. The Office Action rejected claims 1, 2, and 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Patent No. 5,594,735 to Sigl (Sigl).

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 3 to 7, 9, and 10 contain allowable subject matter and that these claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the following explanations.

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